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CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

October 10, 2007

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RE: NOTICE OF APPROVAL: MONITORING WELL PLUG AND ABANDONMENT PLAN AND REPLACEMENT WELL CONSTRUCTION PLAN;
DECOMMISIONING OF GROUNDWATER MONITORING WELL MWL-BW1, INSTALLATION OF REPLACEMENT GROUNDWATER MONITORING WELL MWL-BW2, REVISION 1, AUGUST 3, 2007
SANDIA NATIONAL LABORATORIES, EPA ID# NM5890110518
HWB-SNL-07-014

Dear Ms. Wagner and Mr. Nimick:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has reviewed the subject document dated August 3, 2007. The U. S. Department of Energy/Sandia Corporation's document dated July 9, 2007 "Responses to NMED's Notice of Disapproval" was included in the same transmittal. All 13 deficiencies noted in NMED's Notice of Disapproval dated June 19, 2007 have been adequately addressed. The NMED therefore approves the subject plan with the submitted revisions. The scope of work, excluding the report, in the subject plan shall be concluded by January 1, 2008. The report documenting the work shall be submitted to NMED by April 30, 2008.

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If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. Brian L. Salem of my staff at (505) 222-9576.

Sincerely,

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